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SHERMAN GIVES TAFT ASSURANCE

New York State Will Be in Line for the President, Is His Report.

POLITICS FROM WEST

Vice President acknowledged that Mr.
Roosevelt has some strength in several
of the up-State districts, but he is convinced that the colones will be unable to
carry more than one or two of the Congressloual districts in the entire State
against President Taft.
The Vice President also brought assurrances to the President that Chairman
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tee, is for Taft, and that he will be found standing firmly is line and doing his best rife the President from my on. The attack made upon Col. Rossevelt und some of La Foliette's supporters by W. L. Houser, La Foliette's unperfers by W. L. Houser, La Foliette's manager, created a stri in Republican circles here yesterday. The statement by Houser, in which he accused Roseevelt of trackery to La Foliette, is added evidence of the perious split that has occurred in the Pregressive Republican ranks. Many Republicans are of the opinion that La Foliette's bitterness toward Rossevelt is execut that he will do everything possible to prevent the Wiscenska delegation from the property of the service of the product of the property of the product of the service of the service of the support President Taft.

Speaker Will Sweep Northwest.

Woodrow Wilson cannot carry a single State in the Northwest, according to the spinion of Representative Michael E. Sorke, of Wisconsin Mr. Hurke naid cesterday that Speaker Clark is the candate who can get the votes in his sec on of the country. "Clark led the fight last year in which

lines.

"As for Wilson, we Democrats want to know where his campaign funds are coming from. If these facts are not known and answered, he cannot count on chough support to put him in the running."

TAFT STRONG ON COAST.

Former Governor Gillette Says Hi Benomination Is Favored.

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Former Gov. J. N. Gillette, of Callfornia, brings news that the Republicans from his State are all in favor of
the renomination of Mr. Taft.

Fraft has made a safe, same, yet pregressive Chief Executive," he said yesterday. "I have talked with husiness
men and politicians throughout the State,
and find that they are all in favor of
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there favor even the semblance of a
third term, and so they will support Mr.

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CHALLENGES SENATOR OLIVER.

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Washington Dramatic Club Sees in
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CLARK HAS SIXTY INSTRUCTED VOTES

ROOSEVELT READY TO ENTER RACE

Expected to Make Official Pronunciamento After Columbus Speech Wednesday.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., Feb. 16,-'T will ac cept the nomination if my party insists."
This, in effect, is the reply Col. Roosevelt will make to the recent demand of

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MAY EXHUME SHAKESPEARE. latest Development In Baconia

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London, Feh. it.—While Dr. Orville Owen has not yet abandomed hope of infiding proof of the Baconian theory at the bottom of the River Wye, an articule, M. H. Spielman, suggeste disintering the body of Shakespeare and his appearance, and to deal a death blow to the authenticity of Shakespeare and his appearance, and to deal a death blow to the authenticity of many portraits hitherto pagarded as grantine.

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Aviator Killed by Pall. Berlin, Fqb. 16.—Herr Schmidt, a Ger-man aviator, died today from injuries sustained in a 100-foot fall from his bi-plane when the rudder broke.

So Tired of Tired



the crawed. Young folks held the feetlight and acquitted themselves so well
that doubtless, it will not be long before they are given another chance.
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WILSON READY TO ASSIST BLLIOTT

Secretary of Agriculture Gives Statement Denying Knowledge of Deficit in Division.

ers for financial assistance in making up a deficit in the appropriation for his department, as it is alleged he did, was stated by Hecretary Wilson has night. Secretary Wilson further decirated that had Elliott come to him and fold him of how matters stood he would have "found a remedy for it." Secretary Wilson's takement comes in the form of a denial that the Department of Agriculture countrenanced or himse of the methods alleged to have been used by the chief drainage continues in straightening out his accounts for work done in the Florida Evergides. These alleged practices have resulted in recommendations being made to United Shates District Attorney Clarence Wilson that the grand pur take cognizance of the irregularities and to exist.

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The statement of the Secretary of Agriculture also beings out the fact that Rillott, A. D. Morebouse, Elliott's former assistant, and F. E. Singleton, an accountant in the division, made signed statements acknowledging the transference of public funds by males vouchers. These statements first were placed in the hunds of Secretary Wilson and then were forwarded to Attorney General Wickersham, who in turn sent them to the United States district attorney with a recommendation that they be presented to the grand jury.

Wickersham, who in turn sent them to the United States district attoring with a recommendation that they be presented to the grand jury.

It is charged that Elliott ran short of funds at the close of the flocal year 1809, and in order to make up the deficit, secured money from a man named Wilkinson, agreeing that Wilkinson should be placed upon the pay roll until such time when he should have gotten back the money advanced. Secretary Wilson declared in his statement that he knew nothing of the shortage, and then said in part:

"If Elliott had come to me and told me of the condition of affairs I would have found a remedy for it. If necessary, I would have pure all the men en the pay roll of the division of drainage investigation on furlough pending the operation of the obspropfiation of the observation and the appropriation of the observation and the safe of the condition of the observation of the safe when the safe were, but, on the contrary, and according to their statements, they got certain men to advance money to carry through the deficit under the agreement that they should be taken care of on the pay roll during the next fixed year's appropriation, which was done, according to signed statements made by Elliott, Morehouse, and Singleton.

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From an official of the Department of Agriculture it was learned last night that affidavits are in the possession of Secretary Wilson showing that Wilkinson apparently was led into the arrangement by suggestions from Elliott. Investigation of the Everglades land scandal by the House Committee on Expenditures in the Agricultural Department was temperarily sidefracked yesterday morning while the committee discussed the proposition of whether the fammes of the members of Congress who are alleged to Jave utilized the services of department employers in campaign years should be permitted to an into the record. Bediction McCabe, of the department camples of the members of the committee finally decided that the hames should not be made poblic.

Representative Small, of North Carolina, rising to a question of personal privatings in the House, after the committee adjourned, vigorously device that he had ever used Agricultural Department employes who were expert fecturers in his district for political campaign purposes.

CHEMICAL SCHEDULE READY.

cospondence Exhibited.

Copies of correspondence from the confidential files of the Navy Department, were produced before the House, Committee on Foreign Affairs by Henry M. Hall, yesterday, a winces in the Panama Canal sequisition inquiry, Mr. Hall completed his evidence yesterday. This scorrespondence is that which Mr. Hoosevelt is said, to have referred to as unimportant and net connected with the sequisition of the Panama none. Among this chrespondence were orders issued in December, 1963, to Admiral Glass to mass marines, sallors.

Discuss Injunction Law.

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Meyer Gives Arguments.

Physical valuation of the property of railroads was discussed yesterday by Commissioner Meyer, of the Interetate Commerce Commission, helofy the House Commerce Commission, helofy the House Commettee Commission, helofy the House Committee on Commerce.

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PROTEST AGAINST **CUT IN EXPENSES**

District Commissioners Defend Appropriation Bill at Committee Hearing.

The District of Columbia appropriation bill was gone over from beginning to end by the District Commissioners and the members of the subcommittee of the Senate District Committee yesterday. The hearing was began in the morning and lasted until late in the evening, a short roceas being taken at noon.

The principal items taken up at the manner of the subcommittee of raising the salaries of the Cromissioners from 8,600 to 85,000 a year was taken up and discussed, and many increases in the salage of timer officials were recommisseded. Clerks in the purchasing division building inspector's office, assessor's office, collector's office, auditor's office,

CLARK SAYS PROBE WILL GO IN DEEP

Speaker Issues Statement Guaranteeing Thorough Money Trust Investigation.

Champ Clark, Speaker of the House of

Representatives, yesterday made the following statement:

"On Monday mersing the House Committee on Banking and Currency will open a vigorous, therough, and farating investigation into the money power. In conducting its weeks, the committee will have at its command every facility within the gitt of Congress. It will be empowered to subpoens and compet the presence of witnesses; it will have the right to punish with contempt all who refine to answer questions.

"A resolution conferring such power will be reported immediately following roll call to-day and will be passed by the House of Representatives without the House of Representatives without an investigation fluor the made as complete as human inelligence will be ranged to ald the committed in the committed of the committed

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Daty on Ferromanganese. The Senate Finance Committee yes-erday continued hearings on the Un-terwood bill revising the metal schedwill be reported immediately following followi

ing reserves throughout the country from the being drained into New York. I believe that such a law would belp provide a remedy for at least part of the trouble. "But the people may rest assured that he investigation about to begin will reach the very nerve centers of the dividently and the properties of the committee realize the necessity for action and are schumingthed in their word."

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Senator John Sharp Williams, of Missiappl, yeaterday made an extended arisingle, yeaterday made an extended arisingle, yeaterday made an extended arisingle of the desired of the country. The funeral will take place at 10 o'clock Sunday morning from the Pockeville Methodats—acrock, Burlial is the in Monocacy Cemetery.

CALLED CHINA'S WASHINGTON.

Yuan Shih Kai Compared to Immortal George,

Markin, Feb. K.-in their telegraphic message advising Yuan Shih Kai of his election to the Presidency, the regulable reason leafers compared him to George Washington, inamuch as he is the only other republican chief executive in history who was selected unanimously. Hongkong, Feb. E.-An attempt to land Hongkong, Feb, M.—An attempt to land 2,000 revolutionary solders at Swatow from the steamer Kum Chow, of this city, has caused great excitement here. The men were part of the southern republican army, and their action is believed to be the hardniger of trouble in the south. The customs commissioner and the Hritian consul instructed the captain of the Kum Chew not in enser the harbor, and the vessel stood away to the northward.

Pekin, Feb. 18.—Wu Chang, in the province of Hu Feb, is being urged as the capital for the new regulate of China by Gen. Li Yuen Heng, former Vice President of the republic and now mitistay leader at Hankow. This action is taken by many to be part of a plan to add Fresident Yuan Shin Kat to split the republicans of the south. The proclamation of the republic is being cheeved with orderly enthusiasm everywhere.

RIOT IN SAN QUENTIN.

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